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Title: DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID POLYMORPHISM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

To the Commissioner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Notice of Appeal dated November 8, 2004, for two months from January 8, 2005, to March 8, 2005. The granting of the requested extension of time will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit.

A PTO-2038 is enclosed authorizing payment of the petition fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2055.

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